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DECISION REVERSED.

IN FAVOR OF THE CON-
TENTIONS OF THE COM-
MISSION.

Suit Brought by W. R. Hearst Who
Alleged Discrimination by Rail-
road-Car Carrying Com-
panies—An Attempt to
Blow Up the Steam-

Washington, April 4.—The case
of the interstate commerce com-
mission vs. Baird, commonly known as
the anthracite coal case, was decid-
ed by the supreme court of the U-
nited States today in favor of the
contentions of the commission, the
decision of the United States circuit
court for the southern district of
New York being reversed.

This is the case instituted before
the commission by W. R. Hearst,
of New York, who alleged discrim-
ination by the railroad companies
which reached the anthracite coal
mines in Pennsylvania. During
the hearing some of the witnesses re-
fused to produce certain contracts
bearing upon the business of the
railroad companies and the coal
mines, which action was held by
the circuit court of New York. The
United States supreme court held
that the contracts should have been
supplied. The opinion was hand-
ed down by Justice Day.

In handing down the opinion of
the court, Justice Day said that the
case had grown out of a complaint
of William R. Hearst, filed in 1902
with the interstate commerce com-
mission against the Philadelphia &
Reading, the Lehigh Valley, the
Delaware, Lackawanna & Western,
the Central Railroad of New Jersey
and other railroad companies, and
that it came to this court on
appeal from an order made in the
circuit of the United States from
the southern district of New York
in the matter of the commissioners
ordering certain testimony of wit-
nesses and the production of certain
books and papers in pursuance of
the requirements of the interstate
commerce law.

The first point decided was that
of jurisdiction, which the court de-
cided it had under the law of 1902,
regulating interstate commerce,
and therefore refused to entertain
the motion to dismiss, which was
made by the railroad companies. The
court also held as irrelevant and
inapplicable the point made in
behalf of the railroad companies
that Mr. Hearst, the complainant,
had sustained no damage in the
case, saying that under the manda-
tory provision of the law the com-
mission could not do otherwise than
investigate.

Coming to the specific items of
testimony when the circuit court in
dismissing the petition considered
irrelevant the coal purchased con-
tracts. The contracts were made
with coal companies owned princi-
pally by the railroad companies and
they fixed the price of anthracite
coal, shipments as called for by the
purchaser. While the contracts
were produced for inspection the
witnesses refused to permit them to
be given in evidence.

Portland, April 5.—The Journal
says: An attempt was made to
blow up the valuable river steamer
Albany with high explosives as she
lay at her moorings in the river in
this city last night.

Bad judgment in selecting the
fuse arranged to ignite the heavy
charge of giant powder and nitro-
glycerin was all that saved the boat
and frustrated the plans of the con-
spirators. The giant powder and
the nitroglycerin were part of the
contents of the infernal machine—a
tin box—that was to have done
the work of demolition. In addi-
tion to these explosive materials the
can contained 100 German giant-
powder caps—enough material to
have blown up half of the city.

Captain J. P. Whitcomb of the
Albany discovered the infernal ma-
chine at 7:30 o'clock this morning,
and at once sent word to the police
department of his find. Detectives
Kerrigan and Snow were assigned
to the case, and are now working on
clues which it is hoped will result
in the arrest of the dynamiters
within the next few hours.

As the captain went aboard this
morning he saw a small bundle ly-
ing about the middle of the guard
walk on the side of the boat. Cap-

tain Whitcomb has always prided
himself on keeping his vessel in
ship shape. The sight of an old,
dirty bundle on the walk angered
him, and he at once climbed down
to throw it away. Great was his
surprise when he discovered that
several feet of fuse was coiled about
the bundle. Grains of black pow-
der were scattered about the package.
The captain made sure that the
fuse was not lighted, and then he
made a rush for a telephone.

As soon as the news of the dis-
covery was received at the police
headquarters Detectives Kerrigan
and Snow were sent to the Oak-
street dock, where the Albany is
moored. The detectives at once
pulled the fuse and cap out of the
bundle. No traces of the machine
men were seen.

The bundle contained enough
powder to place the vessel in the
bottom of the river in short order.
"I wouldn't have had any more
boat than a rabbit if that thing had
gone off," said Captain Whitcomb.

The captain is of the opinion that
the machine was placed on his boat
by disgruntled Chinese who are
angry because no Chinese laborers
are employed on the boat. The
sack in which the powder was
placed was wrapped up in a Chinese
napkin, and a clean white sock, the
sort used by nearly all the Chinese
in Portland was in the package.

"It is a well-known fact among
river men that the Chinese are
very sore because so many of the
towing boats carry white cooks.
Nearly all of the river steamers that
tow logs carry women cooks. The
Chinese do not like this new order
of things at all, and they may have
wanted to blow up the Albany for
spitwork."

Captain Whitcomb said that he
had not been in trouble with deck
hands or firemen. He is popular
among the river boatmen, and the
officers are at a loss to know the
reason for the attempt to blow up
the vessel.

A Dandy for Burns.

Dr. Bergin, Pana, Ill., writes: "I have
used Ballard's Snow Liniment; always
recommended it to my friends, as I am
confident there is no better made. 'It is
a dandy for burns.' Those who live on
farms are especially liable to many ac-
cidental cuts, burns, bruises, which heal
rapidly when Ballard's Snow Liniment is
applied. It should always be kept in
the house for cases of emergency." 25c,
50c, \$1.00 bottle. Sold by Graham &
Wortham.

St. Louis, March 31.—The mem-
bers of the Igorrote and other sa-
vage tribes of the Philippine Islands
who arrived at the World's Fair
several days ago, demand that dogs
shall be served them daily as a part
of their bill of fare. Not since they
left their native haunts have they tasted
roast or boiled dog, and a formal demand
for their favorite food was lodged
with M. R. Healy, who looks out
for their comfort.

Mr. Healy applied today to the
city authorities to be furnished with
dogs from the dog pound, and per-
mission was granted. The Igor-
rotes, who are head-hunters at
home and who will not wear cloth-
ing of modern architecture, will
have dog served to them hereafter.

Caribou, Me., March 30.—Proof
that the New England earthquake
of March 21 had its origin in North-
east Maine was furnished today,
when a guide came up from Ti-
boque and affirmed that where old
Bald Mountain had reared its
rounded head for centuries only a
new-born lake exists to mark the
spot. Bald Mountain is, or was,
situated in the Tiboque valley, only
a few miles from the New Brunswick
line, not an imposing mountain, to
be sure, but rather a somewhat con-
ical-shaped hill celebrated for its
inaccessible steep sides.

The natives who live where Bald
Mountain was say they always
thought it a little queer because at
the base were boiling springs so
warm that one could not put his
hand in them in winter. Near by
is a hill called Plaster Rock, which
furnishes plaster so good it is used
for building purposes. This was
recently analyzed and found to con-
sist of merely melted rock and
earth, and all this leads to the be-
lief now that Bald Mountain was
the cone of a volcano which, when
it sank March 21, caused what all
New England called an earthquake.
Tonight a party of woodsmen came
in to say that the guide's story is
true—that where the mountain for-
merly stood there is now only a
muddy looking lake.

WOULD BE MURDERERS

DASTARDLY ATTEMPT OF
FIFTY CONVICTS TO GAIN
FREEDOM.

Foiled by an Accident After Battle
—Ringleaders Are Overcome—
Intended to Blow Up Mis-
souri Penitentiary—
Other News.

Jefferson City, Mo., April 5.—A
desperate attempt was made by 50
convicts of the Missouri state peni-
tentiary this morning to blow up
that institution, kill all guards who
might interfere and liberate 300
convicts. The plot only failed
through accident and the bravery
of the guards who took desperate
chances and frustrated the break.

At 1 o'clock this morning Thom-
as Williams, a guard in turning a
corner of the corridor heard a com-
mand to throw up his hands. Wil-
liams sprang back and was shot at.
The detonation caused a general al-
arm. Williams fled down the cor-
ridor where he was met by seven
other guards, who, alarmed by the
noise, had seized arms from the
guard-room and were running to-
ward the cell rooms.

Williams and Guard Bruner led
the charge but on arrival at the
cell-room door were ordered to
throw up their hands. The convict
who had first halted Williams jump-
ed back into his cell and from his
refuge opened fire with a pistol.

Bruner ran around to the rear,
escaping injury, and got the drop
on the murderous convict. The
latter was then disarmed and lock-
ed into another cell. The other
convicts who, during this time had
been raising a turmoil, were over-
powered and quelled as additional
guards appeared upon the scene.

A search of the cell in which the
leader had been incarcerated dis-
closed 20 pounds of dynamite, a
bottle of nitro-glycerine, two mod-
ern revolvers, a cigar box filled
with cartridges and a number of
skeleton keys, which were evidently
intended to be used in liberating
other prisoners from cells.

The cell from which escape had
been made had been broken by the
destruction of the inner plate on the
this had been bored through and a
skeleton key fitted from the in-
side which readily turned the me-
chanism.

On examination of the prisoners

it was learned that the plan had
been to kill the guards as rapidly
as they entered the cellroom, liber-
ate all prisoners in the building,
blow a hole through the walls with
dynamite and escape. This would
have been comparatively easy, as
the prison is isolated to such an ex-
tent that the noise would hardly
have been heard by anybody save
the guards in the institution.

Even the sweating process has
failed to expose the identity of those
who furnished the weapons and ex-
plosives with which the attempt
was to be made. It is believed by
the prison officials that discharged
convicts who were recently turned
loose after serving their time formu-
lated the plan and organized the
attempt in the hope of liberating
friends who are still in durance.

The most puzzling feature to the
officers is how it became possible
for such a quantity of dynamite to
be smuggled into the building and
then passed to the possession of the
convicts without detection.

Cures Coughs and Colds.

Mrs. C. Peterson, 625 Lake St., Tope-
ka, Kansas, says: "Of all cough reme-
dies Ballard's Horehound Syrup is my
favorite; it has done and will do all that
is claimed for it—to speedily cure all
coughs and colds—and it is so sweet and
pleasant to the taste." 25c, 50c, \$1.00
bottle. Sold by Graham & Wortham.

Toledo, March 31.—Coroner at-
torney and City Chemist Kirschmaier
announced today that Will S. Ra-
der's mysterious death on March 20
was caused by nitro-benzole poi-
soning, of which there are only forty-
eight cases recorded.

The coroner says the poison was
in a shoe polish Rader used on the
tops of his shoes; that the nitro-
benzole penetrating the cloth, reach-
ed the skin and was absorbed through
the pores.

Tokio, April 3.—The advance
guard of the Japanese army in
Northwestern Corea occupied the
town of Seng Cheng yesterday af-
ternoon without opposition. Seng
Cheng is on the Pekin road, 18
miles west of Cheng Ju, about 40
miles south of Wiju.

When the Japanese drove the
Russians out of Cheng Ju last Mon-
day the Russians withdrew in two
columns, one going over the Koak
San road and the other over the
Pekin road. The Japanese advance
from Cheng Ju was made very rapidly.

It was anticipated that the Rus-
sians would resist this advance, but
they failed to do so, and it is not
probable that there will be any
further opposition south of the Ya-
lu river.

HEALTH

is the

Most Important

No one can tell good baking powder
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